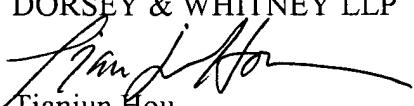


## REMARKS

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed December 10, 2003, Applicant respectfully submits all pending and withdrawn claims in accordance with the requirements under 37 CFR 1.121. A favorable Action from the Patent Office is respectfully requested.

Applicant respectfully submits that no fee is required for this response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 50, 2319 (Order No. A-70277/AJT).

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the number listed below if any matter can be solved by telephone.

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